

### Rippa Rugby Tomorrow

Thank you to the parents who have volunteered to help, please meet us at school at 9am.

Children need to be in their full St Mary's sports uniform, including sports shoes, sunhats plus bring a warm top/jacket.

They also need to bring their lunch and a large drink. - No lunch orders.  
We will be finished by 2.30pm to walk back to school.



### Other Notices

**Magic Childcare - Magic Holiday Programme** - booking information packs available at the school office -or call 425 0772.

**Lee Stream Trail Ride** - Sunday 18th April, registrations forms available [www.leestream.school.nz](http://www.leestream.school.nz)

**Mosgiel AFC Football Holiday Academy**  
Memorial Park Mosgiel ages 6-14 cost \$50 - 3 days, 9.30 - 12.30pm. Enquiries to Sally Hicks 489 5023 after 5pm.

**Gnome Hunt** - Glenfalloch Woodland Garden Monday 12th April till Friday 16th April, 12.30pm - 3pm. Entry - gold coin donation. Enquiries 476-1775.

**Orokonui Easter Eggstravaganza**  
Daily Activities - details on noticeboard.

### St Mary's School Mosgiel Board of Trustees Election

Nominations are invited for the election of 5 parent representatives to the Board of Trustees.

A nomination form and a copy of this notice will be posted to all eligible voters.

Nominations close at noon on 27<sup>th</sup> April and should be accompanied by a candidate's statement.

The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and

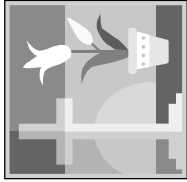
can be viewed during normal school hours.

There will also be a list of candidates' names for inspection at the school.

The poll closes at noon on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2010

Pauline Evans      -Returning Officer

### Easter Masses



Holy Thursday Mass of the Last Supper 7.30pm 1st April - St Peter Chanel, Green Island.

Good Friday

Taieri Journey of the Cross 8.45am Friday 2nd April (commencing from St Mary's Parish Church).

Combined Churches Good Friday Service 10am St Luke's Church - Gordon Road.

Good Friday Service

3pm Friday 2nd April - St Mary's Parish Church.

# St Mary's School, Mosgiel Newsletter



Term 1, Week 9

30th March 2010

**Mission Statement—St Mary's is a Catholic School dedicated to the provision of the highest quality primary education with a special emphasis of Catholic values and attitudes.**

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### Dear Parents/Caregivers and Friends of

#### St Mary's School,

Last Friday I was lucky to be given the privilege of attending The New Zealand Principals' Federation Annual Moot in Wellington. The theme of the day was the question "What Matters Most?".

During the day a number of highly engaging speakers put across their perspective on this statement focusing on a range of important themes. But during the day I came to the conclusion that obviously working within all of the 'legal framework' the answer to the questions is - what is best for the children.

Achieving excellence in academic subjects is obviously important but so is nurturing and encouraging the physical and the artistic.

The Year Seven Religious Education programme highlights that what God wants for his people is for them to be happy. The skills, the values, and the attitudes that we install into our children also set the tone for what they will achieve in life and if they will have a happy life. Children who are brought up to be caring and compassionate with a sense of justice and respect and who are prepared to serve others with no requirement for payment will, I believe, grow to be happy balanced adults.

Within our school community we have great role models for these attributes, our excellent Board of Trustees and PTA. People who give huge amounts of their busy lives in the service of others. We have a brilliant parent community who: coach sports teams, go on school trips, and help on school camps. All of these people who contribute so magnificently to our school, you are the answer to the question 'what matters most?', because you show in all that you do, that what we want for the children - is the best.

You don't just talk the talk - you walk the walk.

So from me and all of the staff thank you for your support, thank you for your efforts and most of all thank you for your honesty.

Have a happy holy and safe Easter and holiday.

Regards Mike Brosnahan

### Looking Ahead:

On Thursday our school will be holding an end of term Easter Liturgy, in St Mary's Hall.

All classes will be taking part and this is an excellent and appropriate way to finish our term. The ceremony will begin at 2pm - all most welcome.

**School starts back on Monday 19th**

### Otago Primary School Swimming Champs

**Representing St Mary's School:  
Braydon, Sean, Courtland, Joshua,  
Kymberlee and Cecilia  
Well done on your great achievements.**



### Thought for the Week ...

"The work can wait while you show the child the rainbow, but the rainbow won't wait while you do the work."

-Patricia Clafford

### Room 4/5 Angels T-Ball Team Won Their Section





Looking back over Term 1

At St Mary's Mosgiel we are...



Confident, reflective, risk taking, lifelong learners in a Catholic School.